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SUBJECT: CYPRUS FOREIGN MINISTER SEEKS MID-OCTOBER APPOINTMENTS
WITH SECRETARY VANCE AND MR. CLIFFORD

1. WHEN I SAW HIM SEPT 26, GOC FONMIN CHRISTOPHIDES
ADVISED THAT HE AND HIS WIFE PLAN TO REMAIN IN THE US
AFTER THE KYPRIANOU PARTY LEAVES APPROXIMATELY OCT 12.
AS CHRISTOPHIDES HAS TO BE BACK IN NEW YORK FOR UNGA
CYPRUS DEBATE LATE IN OCT, HE PREFERS TO TAKE SOME
VACATION--HIS FIRST IN SEVEN YEARS--IN THE US RATHER
THAN RETURN TO CYPRUS IN THE INTERVAL. AN ADDITIONAL
REASON IS THAT HE WANTS TO GIVE MRS. CHRISTOPHIDES A
BREATH FROM CYPRUS WHERE HER MOTHER DIED LAST WEEKEND
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AFTER A LONG ILLNESS.

2. CHRISTOPHIDES' TENTATIVE PLAN IS TO VISIT SAN
FRANCISCO AND DRIVE THROUGH THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. AS HIS
INTERESTS CRYSTALLIZE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT'S EXTENDING
FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE IN TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION.

3. AFTER KYPRIANOU LEAVES AND BEFORE STARTING HIS VACATION, I.E. ABOUT OCT 15, CHRISTOPHIDES WOULD LIKE TO VISIT WASHINGTON FOR INFORMAL MEETINGS WITH SECRETARY VANCE AND MR. CLIFFORD TO EXCHANGE IDEAS ON CYPRUS NEXT STEPS FOLLOWING THE COMING EXTENSIVE ROUND OF BILATERALS IN NEW YORK. COORDINATION TO BE THROUGH CYPRUS AMBASSADOR DIMITRIOU.

4. COMMENT: CHRISTOPHIDES SAID HE WOULD NOT AGAIN PRESS HIS INTEREST IN FOREGOING MEETINGS. HE IS QUITE CRITICAL OF THE CYPRIOT HABIT OF RINGING EVERY DOORBELL SIX TIMES AND FEELS THAT IF THERE IS MATCHING INTEREST ON THE US SIDE THE NEXT STEP (INVITATION) SHOULD COME FROM US.
CRAWFORD UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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